Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 9, line 12: 25   SB 11-27-07

In still other embodiments, the systems and methods described herein permit the playback of a lighting sequence to be influenced by external inputs during performance such as any of the examples of cues described above. For example, a lighting sequence or effect may be programmed to start upon receipt of a cue or trigger signal, a sequence or effect may take precedence if a cue or trigger signal is received, a sequence or effect may be designated to repeat or continue until a cue or trigger signal is received, etc. Thus, instead of assigning a discrete start time to an effect or sequence, a user may instead designate that effect or sequence to begin when a certain stimulus is received. Furthermore, during creation, a user may designate two or more effects for overlapping or concurrent time periods and assign the effects different priorities or conditions to determine which effect is executed upon playback. In yet another embodiment, a user may link a parameter for an effect to an external input (e.g., any of the types of inputs described above, including analog, digital or manual inputs) such that the color, speed, or other attribute of an effect may depend on a signal from an external device, measuring, for example, volume, brightness, temperature, pitch, inclination, wave length, or any other appropriate condition. Thus, the selection of a lighting sequence, the selection of an effect, or the selection of a parameter may be determined or influenced by input from an external source, such as a user, chronometer, device, or sensor. Of course, the types of external stimuli, cues and triggers described above, as well as the changes in a lighting effect or parameter influenced thereby, are provided merely for illustrative purposes, as numerous other variations are possible. In the embodiment of Fig. 1, an exemplary external device 800 is connected to lighting controller 30 to illustrate such external inputs. Other embodiments can include more than one external device.

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In one embodiment, the playback device 31 may include an external interface 650 whereby the playback device 31 can receive external signals from one or more external devices, such as external device 800, useful for impacting (e.g., modifying) the execution or output of one